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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 27, 28, 29, 37, 47

Part B for Oct. 1936

SUBJECT.

Application of M. M. Sentharama
Sastri, for permission to edit & publish
an English Weekly by name "The Original
Vel Sporting News".

Serial
No.

27

Application dated 31. 8. 36

Mr M. Sitharama Sastri -

Prays for permission to edit & publish
an English weekly by name "The Original
Vel Sporting News" and to issue
supplements thereof from time to time.

Application dated 31. 8. 36

from Mr K. M. Zaffari

Requests permission to print the
above journal.

Noted for action with reply.

31/8/36

Mr M. Sitharama Sastri is
already editing a paper "Virakesari"
and regarding his previous history and
the circumstances in which he was
allowed to re-start "Virakesari", reference
is invited to the discussions in
Collection C.B. 1-31-107, 110th. put up herewith.

He now wants to edit & publish

~~another~~ another weekly by name
"The Original Vel Sporting News" (to get it
printed in "Al-Kalam Press") and also
publish supplements from time to time.

The journal ~~is~~ is to deal with news
regarding "Sports of all kinds including races".
Govt. in some instances declined to grant
permission to starting journals dealing
with racing news, but ~~some time back~~ ^{some time back} ~~in Dec. 35~~

Mag. 8.

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permission was given to Mr. K. Narayanaswami

Iyer to ~~do~~ conduct a journal by name "Sports and Amusements" (including Races)

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CS 12-35-110

Reference is invited to the discussions

in this connection in collection C.B. 12-35 put up herewith. J.R.

Recently asked for permission to change

the name of his paper to "The Original Vel Sports & Amusements" and entrust the

publication to one Mr. V. Duraswami Mudaliar

Managing Proprietor of the Original Vel Printing

works, Madras (who has a Branch Office at

the Al-Kalam Press). On being told that

the new Publisher should himself apply

for the necessary permission, Mr. Narayanaswami

Iyer withdrew his application for change of name

Flag S.

and has said that he would continue

CS 12-36-26.

his paper under the old name "Sports

and Amusements" as hitherto getting

it printed in the C & M Station as at present.

Now Mr. M. Sitaraswami Sastry

has applied for permission to ~~start~~ edit & publish

another independent journal under

the name "The Original Vel Sports and

Amusements" (the new name ^{that was} proposed ~~to be~~

~~to be~~

~~start~~ by Mr. Narayanaswami Iyer for his journal but withdrawn)

and get it printed at the "Al-Kalam" Press.

[Though Mr. Sitaraswami Sastry proposes to be

the publisher, it is perhaps probable that

Mr. V. Duraswami Mudaliar ~~proprietor~~ of Madras

referred to as Proprietor of Original Vel Printing works may have some business connection with it].

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So there will be two separate journals - (1) Sports & Amusements edited & published by Mr. K. Narayanaswami Iyer and (2) Original Vel Sports & Amusements edited & published by Mr. M. Sitarama Sastri.

It is for order whether any report need be obtained on the present application of Mr. Sitarama Sastri, from the District Magistrate or whether ~~otherwise~~ it may be considered on the basis of previous reports regarding this gentleman.

Subm'd for order

CFA
31/8/36

If approved a report may be called for from the D. Magt.

Chief Secy)

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yes
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Draft mkt

11/9/36 CFA

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No. 596 dated 1.9.36
To the Dist. Magt. Bangalore
Calls for a report in the matter

Application of Mr M. Sitharama Sastri
for permission to run an English Weekly
by name "Original & Sporting News"
General and Revenue
Secretariat
of 1936

CS File No. 12

Letter No. S.B. 34 dated 15.9.36 37

from The Sd. of Police
and a report recd from the
Dist. Magr. Bangalore stating
that the permission asked for by
Mr M. Sitharama Sastri - should
be granted.

Kind refer is invited to the paper
(flagged R) for the Police Report
recd in this connection. It details
the circumstances under which attempts are being made
~~Mr Sitharama Sastri~~ ~~has been~~ trying
to get permission for starting a
Racing Journal and the reasons
why it should not be granted.
~~Permission therefor~~. This applicant
is ~~it~~ is stated to be financially bad
and is not capable of running
an English Journal
Subd for orders with refer.

16/9/36

In the circumstances stated,
it is for order if the permission asked for
by Mr. Seetharama Sastri need be granted.

In this connection,
the Supd. of Police also makes reference
to the journal now published by
Mr. K. Narayanaswami Iyer under the
name of "Sports & Amusements". The

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JL. J.

Circumstances in which permission was granted to Mr Narayanaswami Iyer to start this journal are mentioned in C.B. 12-35 put up herewith. The Supt. of Police says that the right of publishing "~~Race News~~" ~~the~~ "Racing News" (probably he means "Sports & Amusement") to the Daily Post, Bangalore. It looks as if Mr Narayanaswami Iyer also is ~~only~~ a tool in the hands of other financiers. The permission granted to him to publish a journal (dealing with news about Races etc) seems to have ~~encouraged~~ ^{led} others to come up with applications for starting similar journals financed by outsiders.

Subm'd for order

Cf. 16/9/36

Supt. of Police, Secy. to Govt.
Permission may be refused.

Govt. have been against granting permission to publish racing news on the ground that it promotes the gambling habit & bucket shops.

It is stated in the D.S.P.'s report that Mr. Narayanaswami Iyer has handed over his right of publishing "racing news" to the Daily Post. It is for consideration.

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General and Revenue
Secretariat

if the permission granted to him may
be withdrawn if the subject as it appears
to be of his 'Sports & amusements' paper
is to publish 'racing news'. He may
perhaps be informed that racing news
is not permitted under the permission granted
to him.

Chief Secretary)

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16/9/36

(a) The application of Mr. Subramana Sastri
may be rejected as recommended by the
D'Heath and I.G.P.

(b) as regards Mr. K. Narayana Sastri, I am
some copies of his paper may be sent
and scrutinised as to where it is
published.

Yes

(Action
being taken
separately
re: this)

1st member)

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Evidently this paper
is intended for racing news only
to the best of the authorities apprehends that it
will promote bucket shops. Per-
mission may therefore be refused.

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For Disposal by Circulation.

No. C. 44

1936-27

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

Subject

Application of Mr. M. Seetharama Sastry for permission to edit and publish an English Weekly by name "The Original Vel Sporting News."

Circulated to the Members of Council.

By Order,

M. S. Sastry

17th September 1936.

Chief Secretary to Government.

First Member of Council.

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Second Member of Council.

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23/9/36

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For perusal before submission
to D.S.R.

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1-9-1936

Submitted to His Highness.

The accompanying papers relate to the application^x of Mr. M. Seetharama Sastry of Bangalore for permission to edit and publish an English Weekly by name "The Original Vel Sporting News".

D The District Magistrate, Bangalore District, who as usual was consulted in the matter, has forwarded the report^x of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City, from which it is gathered that the journal proposed to be started is likely to be devoted to racing news and that it is backed up by one Mr. V. Doraiswami Mudaliar of Madras, who was running Bucket shops etc., there. It is further stated that Mr. Seetharama Sastry is by himself financially bad and not capable of editing an English periodical, and that his antecedents are also not good. In these circumstances, the District Magistrate is not in favour of the permission asked for being granted.

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of office* The Members of Council and I concur^x in the above view. The gracious approval of His Highness is solicited to refuse permission to the proposed starting of the paper by Mr. Seetharama Sastry.

Bangalore,)
8th October 1936.)

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D E W A N .

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of
His Highness the Maharaja.



Subject.

Application of Mr. M. Seetharama
Sastry for permission to edit and pub-
lish an English Weekly by name "The
Original Vel Sporting News".

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M. S.
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Order.

~~K. R. S.~~

9/10/36

SUBJECT:- Application from Mr. Sektarama Dasgupta for permission to edit and publish an English weekly by name "The Original Vel Sporting News"

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at Head-quarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders. (Vide Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

M. S. Dasgupta

Chief Secretary to Government.

Through the Secretary to Government,

..... Department.

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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Shankermut Road,
Bangalore City
31st Sept. 1936

From M. Seetharama Sastry,

Editor, Veerakesari, Shankermut Road, Bangalore City.

To The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the
Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

S I R , I beg to request you to kindly grant me permission to edit
and publish an English Weekly under the name and style of The Ori-
ginal VelSporting News and to issue Supplements thereof from time
to time.

The Original Vel Sporting News will be non -political and will
deal with only news regarding sports of all kinds including races.

I also request your kind permission to entrust the work of
printing to the Proprietor, Al-Kalam Electric Press, Bangalore City.

Praying for an early order,

I remain,
Yours obediently,

M. Silārama Sastry

Bangalore City

31. 8. 1936

CS. 12-86-28

From

K.M. Zaffari,

Proprietor, The Al-Kalam Electric Press,
Kalasipalyam, Bangalore City.

To

The Chief Secretary

to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja
of Mysore, Bangalore.

S I R ,

As I have consented to print the English Weekly styled
The Original VelSporting News to edit and publish which Mr.M. See-
tharama Sastry, Editor, Veerakesari is applying you today, I request
your kind sanction to be the Printer of the paper.

Thanking you in anticiaption,

I remain, Yours obediently,



Sd. K.M. Zaffari

Confidential.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

No.

Dated, Bangalore, 1st September 1936.

From

B. T. KESAVAIENGAR, Esq., B. A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

H. V. Ramasvami, Esqr., M.A., B.L.,
District Magistrate, Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith an application dated 31st August 1936 received from Mr. M. Sitharama Sastry asking for permission to edit and publish an English Weekly by name "The Original Vel Sporting News" and to issue supplements thereof from time to time, as well as an application from Mr. K. M. Zaffari for permission to print the said journal in the "Al-Kalam Electric Press".

I am to request you to kindly favour Government at an early date with your opinion, (through the Inspector General of Police) as to whether the permission prayed for by the applicants may be granted.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) B.T.Kesavaiengar,

For Chief Secretary to Govt.

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Copy of the above is forwarded, with compliments,
to the Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

For Chief Secretary to Govt.

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In all future communications
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No...J.L.338/36-7

Enc. **3.**

Tel. Address.—“DEPCOM”
Post Box No. 34.

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
BANGALORE DISTRICT.

Dated, Bangalore, the 12th Sept. 1936.

FROM

H. V. RAMASVAMI, ESQ., M.A., B.L.,
District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

TO

B. T. KESAVAIENGAR, ESQ., B.A.,
Chief Secretary,

Through *to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore.*
F. A. HAMILTON, ESQ., C.I.E.,
Inspector General of Police in Mysore, Bangalore.

SIR,

Subject:—

With reference to your letter No.596/C.B.12-36-29 dated 1-9-1936 calling for a report regarding the grant or otherwise of permission to Mr. M. Sitaram Sastry to edit and publish an English Weekly by name "THE ORIGINAL VEL SPORTING NEWS", I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter No.C.C.78/36-37 dated 8-9-1936 received from the City Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City in the matter and to state that in the circumstances explained therein, I am not in favour of permission being granted. It may, therefore, be refused.

Two enclosures received with your letter under advertance are returned herewith.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

H. V. Ramaswami
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
BANGALORE DISTRICT.

SVS.12-9-36.

SB No 84/36-37 dt 15-9-36
Encl. — Three.

forwarded
[Signature]
J. S. G. P. S.

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Copy of Confidential letter No.C.C.78/36-37 dated the 8th September 1936, from the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City, to the District Magistrate, Bangalore District, Bangalore.

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With reference to your Memo No.Jl.P.R.198/36-37 dated the 4th September 1936 calling for my opinion, regarding the grant of permission to Mr. M. Sitharama Sastry, to edit and publish an English Weekly by name 'The Original Vel Sporting News', I have the honour to state as follows :-

One Mr. V. Doraiswamy Mudaliar of Nellikuppam, South Arcot District was publishing 'The Original Vel Sporting and Racing Guide' in Madras and running Bucket shops. When Bucket-shops were declared as illegal in Madras he had to stop his publication. He is now trying to publish the same in Bangalore. As he is diffident of getting permission in his own name, he is reported to have instigated Mr. Sitarama Sastry to obtain permission and publish the periodical. Mr. Sitarama Sastry by himself is financially bad and is not capable of editing an English periodical. Besides, Mr. Sitarama Sastry is not a man of character and many warnings have been issued to him as the editor of 'Veerakesari'.

Any such racing periodical may also tend to increase the Bucket-shops in the City as the public would be aware of the races beforehand and be in a position to bet on horses clandestinely.

I also beg to bring to your kind notice that Mr. K. Narayanaswamy Iyer has been permitted to publish sporting and Racing News, which he ~~is~~ in turn has handed over the right of publishing 'Racing News' to the 'Daily Post', Bangalore, who are publishing Racing Guides and selling them in Bangalore City and elsewhere. In addition to this, Racing Guides are sent to Bangalore from Madras on every race day to facilitate bettings by local people, clandestinely.

The C & M Station authorities have treated 'Racing News and Racing Guides' as a newspaper or a book as defined in the Press and Registration of Books Act (XXV of 1867) and withdraw the

the permission granted to some of the Cantonment people to edit such Racing News with a view to put down the activities of bucket shops. But they have eventually given a monopoly of publishing Race Guides to the 'Daily Post'.

I also beg to bring to your kind notice that the following persons have been refused permission by Government to publish such periodicals:

- 1) K. Venkatarao, Proprietor, Ananda Typewriter Works, Chickpet, refused permission to edit 'Racing News' in No.3112/PP 1-31-75 dated 10-2-32.
- 2) The Proprietor of Sivasankara Press, Sultanpet refused permission to edit 'The Indian Turf Bulletin' in No.2696/PP 1-32-118 dated 7-3-33.
- 3) Mr. Manickam Mudaliar, Proprietor of Sivasankara Press refused permission to ~~edit~~ print and publish a bi-weekly newspaper in English styled 'The General Sporting News', in No.3271/PP M.71-32-143 dated 26-4-33.
4. Messrs. Jaffer Khan and V.N.Sundaramurthy refused permission by the District Magistrate, Bangalore to print and publish 'Race cards with tips' and 'Racing News' in L.J.Mis.Pet.382 and 381/34-35 respectively, dated 18-6-35.

The enclosures received in original are herewith resubmitted.

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It Danavara
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
BANGALORE DISTRICT.

am

SVS.12-9-36.

928/C.B. 12-36-47

07/15/1936

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Mr. M. Sitarama Sastri
Editor, "Veerakanni"
Shankar Math Road
Bangalore City

Dear Sir,

With reference to your
application dated 31st ^{Aug.} ~~Sept.~~
1936 ~~requesting~~ for permission
to edit & publish an English
Weekly by name "The Original
I am desirous to state that
Vel Sporting News, Government
regret that the permission
asked for cannot be granted.

Yours truly

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Chief Secy. to Govt.

928-30/C.B.
07/15/1936

Copy to the S. G. of Police
& the Lt. Magr., B'lore City

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15th October 1936.

928/45, 12-86-47

Mr. M. Sitarama Sastri,
Editor, "Veerakesari,"

Shanker Mutt Road, Bangalore.

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Dear Sir,

With reference to your application dated 31st August 1936 for permission to edit and publish an English Weekly by name "The Original Vel Spitting News," I am directed to state that Government regret that the permission asked for cannot be granted.

Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) B. T. Kesava Iyengar,
Chief Secretary to Government.

928-357 C.D. 9/10/1936

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the (1) Inspector General of Police in Mysore; & (2) District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

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Chief Secretary to Government.